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PATENT  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0052/059001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Nobuyoshi NAMBU et al. Art Unit: 1774  
Application No.: 09/914,356 Examiner: Gray, J.  
Title: FIBER CAPABLE OF FORMING METAL CHELATE, PROCESS FOR  
PRODUCING THE SAME, METHOD OF TRAPPING METAL ION WITH  
THE FIBER, AND METAL CHELATE FIBER  
International Application No.: PCT/JP00/01043  
International Filing Date : February 24, 2000  
Priority Date : February 26, 1999  
U.S. Filing Date : August 27, 2001

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

AND

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004, applicants hereby submit the enclosed papers including an Amendment under 37 CFR 1.111.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for an extension of time for one (1) month to August 23, 2004 (since August 21, 2004 is a Saturday, August 22 and 2004 is a Sunday) for filing a response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application.

No extension of time has been previously obtained for filing the response. Thus a fee of \$55.00 for an extension of one month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a) is required.

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Transmittal Letter and Petition for Extension of Time  
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August 23, 2004

The required fees are calculated below:

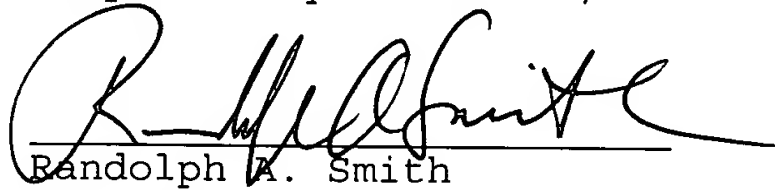
Total Claims	<u>18</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independent	<u>6</u>	-	<u>6</u>	=	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>

One Month's Extension of Time Fee \$55.00

TOTAL FEE DUE: \$55.00

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 19-2586, REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0052/059001. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAPER IS ENCLOSED. THIS IS A GENERAL AUTHORIZATION EXCLUDING ONLY PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: August 23, 2004

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